the one of more data object units corresponding to one or more stream blocks, each of the one or more stream blocks constituted by one or more blocks for error correction; and managing the playing back step using management information relating to the data object recorded in the management area of the information medium.--

## **REMARKS**

Favorable consideration of this application as presently amended is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-17 are presently active in this application, Claims 14-17 having been added by way of the present Preliminary Amendment. New Claims 14-17 find support in the specification and figures and are not believed to raise an issue of new matter.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-17 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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